



# Family & Friends Newsletter

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## Brigadier General Bergman Visits Headquarters & Service Company's Family Day



### MARINE CORPS ONE SOURCE

Marine Corps One Source offers free counseling services to all Marine families through the Ceridian Corporation. The service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. For more information about how MCCS One Source can help you, call the toll free number (800) 433-6868 or visit the One Source website at [www.mccsonesource.com](http://www.mccsonesource.com) (user id): marines (password): semper fi

The Department of Defense also provides information and assistance to military families through its Military Family Resource Center website at: [http://mfrc.calib.com/Enduring\\_Freedom/index.htm](http://mfrc.calib.com/Enduring_Freedom/index.htm)

This newsletter is distributed to family and friends of 6<sup>th</sup> Engineer Support Battalion Marines. To subscribe, contact Kimball Wallis, Battalion Key Volunteer Coordinator at [walliskl@mfr.usmc.mil](mailto:walliskl@mfr.usmc.mil) or at (503) 947-7853. Subscription lists are kept confidential.



On March 15, over 300 family and friends of Headquarters and Service Company Marines gathered at the Portland VFW Post 4248 for an a personal briefing by Brigadier General John Bergman, Commanding General of the 4FSSG.

General Bergman provided a slide show showcasing 4FSSG Marines deployed in Djibouti and Kuwait and provided a first hand account of the Marines' living and working conditions.



General Bergman's visit is part of the Marine Corps' continuing support of families. Command staff visits are scheduled with visits across the United States to keep families informed and connected with their Marines.

Family members were treated to a free potluck dinner prepared by the VFW Post, games, prizes and face painting for the kids. The Key Volunteer Network videotaped personal messages from the families to their Marines.

The local Young Marines organization provided a group of willing and able hands to help serve the attending families.



### 1FSSG Website

While deployed, the 6th ESB has been attached to the 1FSSG, which also contains the 7th ESB. A few of our 6th ESB Marines have been attached to the 7th ESB. The 1FSSG Key Volunteer Network's website is a good source of information and recent photos provided by the various elements. A current list of family readiness contacts can be found here, as well. The website is: <http://www.1ffsgkvn.com>

## Some Information About the 6th Engineer Support Battalion ...

Our battalion is made up of a number of units located all across the United States. Upon mobilization, the units assembled at Camp Pendleton, California. Each unit has a Commanding Officer and staff, including a Family Readiness Officer (FRO), and Peacetime Wartime Support Team (PWST). In addition to the Battalion Commanding Officer, there is a Battalion PWST.



## And the Battalion's Key Volunteer Network.

Each one of the 6th ESB units has Key Volunteers, who report to a Key Volunteer Coordinator (KVC) appointed by the unit Commanding Officer. The Key Volunteer Coordinators report to the Battalion Key Volunteer Coordinator who, in turn, reports to the Battalion's Commanding Officer and PWST. The Battalion KVC also reports to the group KVC for the 4th Force Service Support Group.

When our 6thESB Marine families need assistance, they can rely on the support system described above. To get assistance, contact your local Family Readiness Officer, Peacetime Wartime Support Team, or Key Volunteer Network.

## Pictures from the Desert: 6th ESB Bridge Co B Practices Building a Bridge

